



California Marine Life Protection Act **Help redesign marine protected areas along the north coast through October 2010**

California/Oregon border to Alder Creek near Point Arena

Your input and involvement are important!

What is the Marine Life Protection Act?

The Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) is a state law requiring California's system of marine protected areas to be redesigned to better protect California's marine life, habitats and ecosystems.

What is the MLPA Initiative?

The MLPA Initiative is a public-private partnership established to help the state achieve the goals of the MLPA by using the best readily available science, as well as the advice and assistance of resource managers, policy members and community members.

What are Marine Protected Areas?

Marine protected areas (MPAs) are specific geographic areas where some or all living marine resources and marine habitats are protected.

How do I get involved?

A science and community-driven process, the MLPA Initiative largely depends on the active involvement of the public. Attend public meetings and workshops, provide written and verbal comment, and speak with members of your community who are involved in the planning process.

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